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Rebekah Christensen has twenty-five years of leadership management experience. Her professional career began as a municipal bond broker for E. F. Hutton. She is founder and CEO of ORA Systems, Inc., an integrated (whole-systems) leadership and community development/professional management firm. Ms. Christensen has served as a president and executive director in the non-profit community for the past 20 years. Her leadership as executive director in the field of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (AOM) afforded Christensen the opportunity to represent the U. S. AOM profession at the World Health Organization (WHO) inaugural International Classification of Traditional Medicine (ICTM) project convened in Hong Kong, China. In the mid-90's, Ms. Christensen served as the national director of the U. S. Department of Energy's (DOE) LandTech Program under the Deputy Secretary for the Office of Science and Technology, where Ms. Christensen designed a *whole-systems* management approach for life-cycle cleanup of projects and for deploying DOE developed technologies for societal use. For her work with DOE, Ms. Christensen received the McGraw Hill award of excellence and the scientist of the year award by the YMCA. In the early 90's Ms. Christensen supported Assemblyman Jack O'Connell by designing a *whole-systems* financial management system to fund multi-million dollar cleanup sites in his authorship of AB 2610, amending the Mello-Roos Act. She served as Assemblyman O'Connell's technical expert for this bill throughout the legislative process. This legislation is in active use today. Christensen served as co-chair for APSEA's Navigating Leadership Challenges and EEO in a Changed World (November 8, 2012) and was elected to the APSEA Board of Directors for the 2012-13 Fiscal Year.

From a wide diversity of economic sectors, “systems thinking” has transcended the career of Rebekah Christensen